

6.5 RULES AND REGULATIONS

6.5.1 RULES AND REGULATIONS; MEETINGS. The Board shall establish rules and regulations for its own procedure not inconsistent with the provisions of these procedures. The Board shall meet on call of the Chairman. The Board shall meet within 30 calendar days after notice of appeal has been received.

6.5.2 DECISIONS. The Board shall, in every case, reach a decision without unreasonable or unnecessary delay. Each decision of the Board shall also include the reasons for the decision. If a decision of the Board reverses or modifies a refusal, order, or disallowance of the Building Official or varies the application of any provision of the Construction Codes, the Building Official shall immediately take action in accordance with such decision. Every decision shall be promptly filed in writing in the office of the Building Official and shall be open to public inspection. A certified copy of the decision shall be sent by mail or otherwise to the appellant and a copy shall be kept publicly posted in the office of the Building Official for two weeks after filing. Every decision of the Board shall be final, subject however to such remedy as any aggrieved party might have at law or in equity.

7. SEVERABILITY

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance, including the Construction Codes, is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance, including the Construction Codes.

8. VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES

Any person, firm, corporation, other entity, or agent who shall violate a provision of this Ordinance, including the Construction Codes, or fail to comply herewith, or with any of the requirements hereof, or who shall erect, construct, alter, install, demolish or move any structure, electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing system, or has erected, constructed, altered, repaired, moved or demolished a building, electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing system, in violation of a detailed statement or drawing submitted and permitted hereunder, shall be subject to punishment by fine or imprisonment or both. Each such person, firm, corporation, other entity, or agent shall be considered to have committed a separate violation for each and every day or portion thereof during which any violation of any of the provisions of this Ordinance, including the Construction Codes, is committed or continued, and upon being found to have committed any such violation such person shall be subject to being punished by fine not to exceed \$1,000.00 or imprisonment not to exceed 60 days or both for each such separate violation. Jurisdiction over such violations shall be in the Magistrate Court of Lowndes County. The procedure for enforcement of violations of this Ordinance, including the Construction Codes, shall be as provided in Article 4 of Chapter 10 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.